

*Segond* is next in seniority to Pozzi, and is about forty-eight years of age. He is a man of great force of character and is making a marked impression on the progress of gynæcology in France. He was a strong advocate of vaginal morcellation of the uterus for pus tubes, fibroid tumours and all conditions in which both tubes and ovaries had to be removed. While visiting America a year ago, he performed this operation eleven times before large assemblages of gynæcologists, and he did them so elegantly and quickly that he elicited the admiration of all who saw him operate. But though he came to show American surgeons what could be done with vaginal hysterectomy, they in turn showed him what they could do by the abdominal method, with the result *Segond* became converted by those whom he came to convert, and ever since his return he has become so strong in his advocacy of Kelly's method as to carry all before him. They all, however, still remove the cervix, even when there is no suspicion of malignancy, their sole object being to obtain vaginal drainage, which they think was the strong point leading to their great success in the vaginal method. In this I think they are mistaken, as it adds very much to the time required for the operation, several whom I saw doing it taking more time to arrest the vaginal hæmorrhage than was required for the ligature of the six arteries and the removal of the tumor. Moreover, I think it important to leave the *healthy* cervix, to avoid shortening of the vagina, and as a rule there is so little to drain that it hardly justifies the opening of the vagina. *Segond* is a great admirer of everything American, and he told the large staff present that the finest hospital he had ever seen was the Royal Victoria at Montreal, and in his writings, which are very forcible and convincing in their style, he loses no opportunity of praising the skill of American gynæcologists. I saw him doing an abdominal hysterectomy for cancer of the uterus, in which he also removed the upper part of the vagina, which was affected; he had great difficulty in stopping the bleeding. He admitted, on my inquiring, that his experience with hysterectomy for cancer was very discouraging; so I suppose they have the same difficulty to contend with in France as we have, namely, the cases come to us too late. The above case was at the Salpetriere; the next one was at the Baudeloque,